

# The Lerisse Family Haitians For His Kingdom On the Island of Hispaniola



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Our December celebration theme this year was “Glory to God through Jesus Christ the Son”, and truly the theme of our lives, the theme of our days is glory to the Father through His Son, our Savior Jesus Christ! As we left the business of November with all of its activities and preparations, we entered into December at full throttle!

It was a joy to see our church pull together as a team to host our annual Celebration of Jesus Community Event. A team of young ladies sewing for the children’s choir robes, another team making curtains, clean up crews, cooking crews, gift wrapping crews, decoration crews, transportation crews, serving crews, the skit crew and the dozens and dozens of believers who spent scores of hours in singing practice, made it a night to remember and so many thanksgivings redounded to the praise of our Heavenly Father through the Son! We had many Dominicans in the service, 358 people present to hear a clear and powerfully preached plan of salvation, three precious souls calling on Christ for salvation and four baptisms the following Sunday morning.



We are thankful to Indian Hills Baptist Church in Shreveport, LA and Heritage Baptist Church in Jackson, MI for the generous gift of Christmas shoeboxes sent to the children of our church. Because of the generosity of other supporting churches to help finance shipping the boxes, we were able to share the boxes with seven other churches whose children rejoiced greatly!



In addition to this wonderful event, we are praying and preparing to send a homegrown couple to the region of Moca near Santiago to establish a work for the Lord in that area. Wanting to be a part of the December activities, this couple will leave at the beginning of January to begin a new church plant.

Being still in turmoil, Haitians living in Haiti are under great stress. Recently a town in which one of our pastors leads a flock of believers was overrun by what they call bandits. Everyone had to flee for their lives thus scattering the sheep. Thankfully in Saint Marc, where the central church is, gangs have been unable to seize control. Having only one way in and one way out, Saint Marc thus far has been secure. Even under such stress, souls are being saved and believers are living for the Lord in their turbulent and dangerous world.

We were gifted with \$5000 to build an open air children's church/ fellowship hall. We are thankful to God for moving the First Baptist Church of Hammond to contribute to that need.



*Finally, my Beloved and I celebrated our 25th wedding anniversary on December 23. We are usually very busy during this time of the year and have planned to truly celebrate in February. We have shared in this ministry, marriage and parenting adventure together by the grace of God for 25 years and we are looking for the Lord to uphold us until His return.*



Thank you for praying for us, for loving us, for supporting us, for partnering with us and for believing in the work that God is doing with us here on the Island of Hispaniola.

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